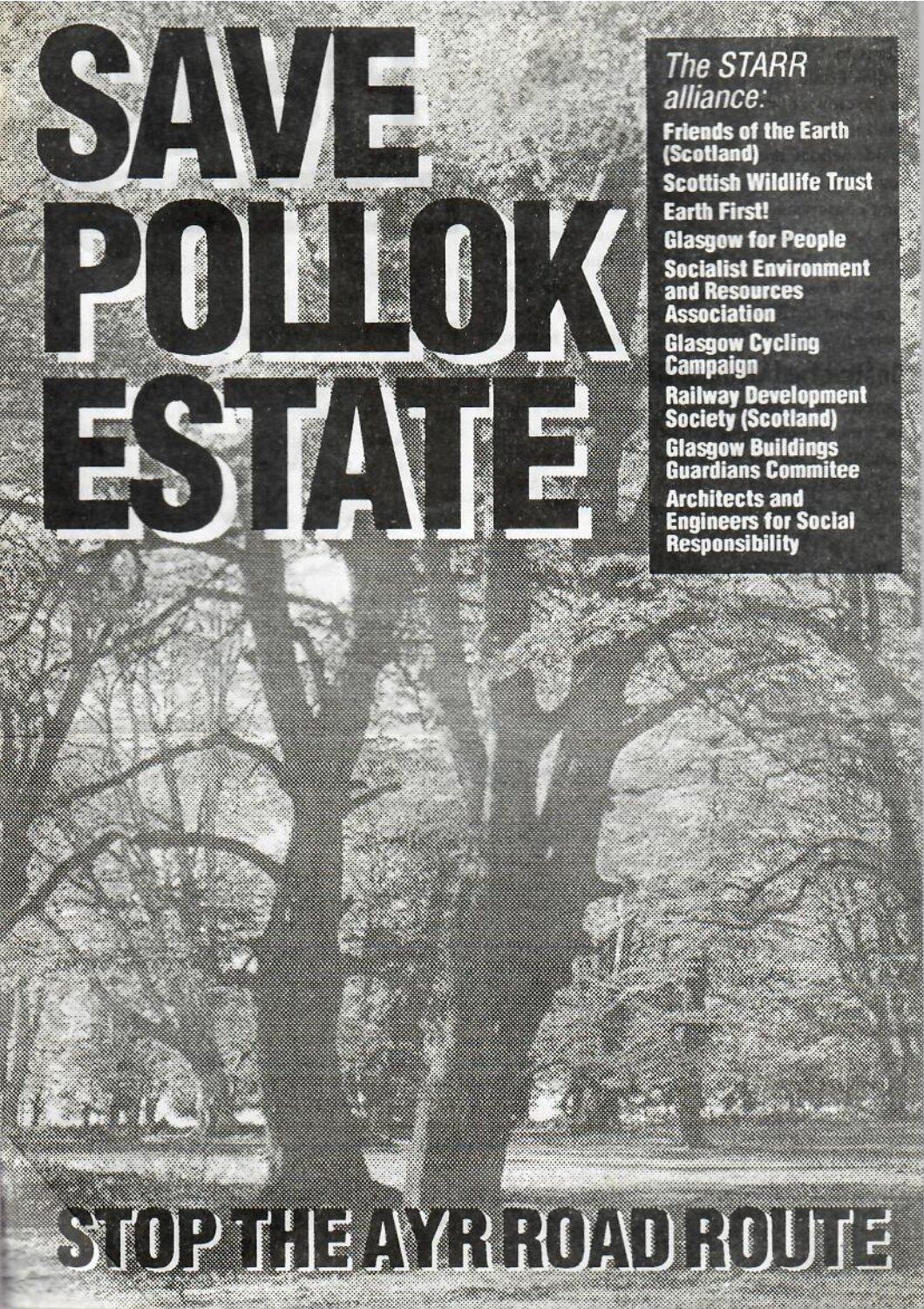




SAVE POLLOK ESTATE

*The STARR
alliance:*

**Friends of the Earth
(Scotland)**

**Scottish Wildlife Trust
Earth First!**

Glasgow for People

**Socialist Environment
and Resources
Association**

**Glasgow Cycling
Campaign**

**Railway Development
Society (Scotland)**

**Glasgow Buildings
Guardians Committee**

**Architects and
Engineers for Social
Responsibility**

STOP THE AYR ROAD ROUTE

Pledge

to Save the Greenbelt

Plans to bulldoze a motorway extension through Pollok Estate are imminent. Pollok Estate is the jewel in the crown of all Glasgow's greenbelt. One thousand and eighteen acres of woodlands, fields and riverside habitat, it is home to much wildlife: roe deer, foxes and birds of prey. It was to be protected by the first conservation agreement ever entered into by the National Trust for Scotland. Trust founder and owner of the estate, Sir John Stirling Maxwell, wished to secure this amenity of open space and woodland for EVER ... "for the benefit of the citizens of Glasgow". That promise has been broken.

Destruction Without Gain

Despite its outstanding conservation value, a large swathe of Pollok Estate will be destroyed by the construction of the Ayr Road Route (M77). At a cost of £79 million, the M77 is being promoted by Strathclyde Regional Council and the Scottish Office, and it will:

- *Blast through the western woodlands of Pollok Estate.*
- *Funnel cross-Scotland traffic, including heavy lorries, through a peaceful green area and through the city centre, bringing noise, danger and pollution to many communities, including CORKERHILL and Moss Park.*
- *Destroy recreation grounds in Pollok, Nitshill and Darnley.*
- *Feed up to 53,000 vehicles a day onto the M8 and overloaded Kingston Bridge. Exhaust fumes cause increased health problems such as asthma and add to global warming and acid rain.*

Financed by your taxes, it will primarily serve to swell the bank balances of the motorway contractors. Yet this money is desperately needed for better public transport, homes for the homeless and envi-

ronmentally friendly development that create far more jobs than road-building.

Pledge Your Support

Join the thousands already opposing this road. Help save Pollok Estate from the bulldozer by signing the pledge below.

Reckless roadbuilding is being increasingly exposed as an environmental and social disaster. In England, campaigns by community and environmental groups have succeeded in curtailing one third of the government's £23 billion road building programme. In Oxleas Wood in South London, 3,000 people stopped the destruction of ancient woodlands by pledging to peacefully oppose work there.

This pledge is not a binding document. It simply reflects your personal commitment to campaign and save Pollok Estate.

Visit the woodlands on Barrhead Road (opposite National Savings Bank) and see what advanced works, abandoned due to lack of funds, have done.

By bus: 21, 23 and 48.

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Please cut out the slip below, and return to: STARR, 53 Cochrane Street, Glasgow G1 1HL
Telephone 041 552 8776 or 041 636 1924



I wish to express my opposition to the proposed Ayr Road route into Glasgow and will peacefully protest against it.

Name: Donation:

Address:

Postcode: Tel: